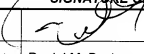


<p align="center">REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</p> <p align="center">Address to: Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop RCE P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p>	Application Number	09/936,377
	Filing Date	February 26, 2002
	First Named Inventor	DEFRENNE et al.
	Group Art Unit	1645
	Examiner Name	Baskar, Padmavathi
	Confirmation No.	4141
	Attorney Docket Number	153278-BM45379 (306548)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114	
<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted</p> <p>i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).</p> <p>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.</p> <p>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed</p> <p>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply</p> <p>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)</p> <p>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)</p> <p>iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.</p>	
2. Miscellaneous	
<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.</p>	
3. Fees	
<p>The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Dechert LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2778 (Order No. 153278-BM45379 (306548)).</p> <p>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (estimated to be \$790 Large Entity)</p> <p>ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (<u>5</u> months, estimated to be \$<u>2,160</u>.)</p> <p>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)</p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p>	
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED	
Signature	 Date January 23, 2007
Name (Print/Type)	Daniel M. Becker Reg. No. 38,376